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Mail Stop Patent Application  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: PAYMENT RELEASE SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

25 pages comprising the specification, claims, and abstract.

4 sheets of drawings.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney.

An Information Disclosure Statement with one copy each of four cited references attached (original + 1).

A Recordation of Assignment Request and a copy of executed Assignment of the invention to Pitney Bowes Incorporated, 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700. (original + 1).

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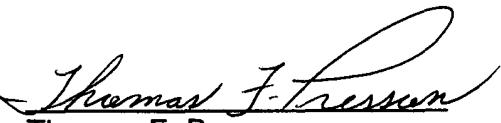
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.10, I hereby certify that the attached Specification consisting of 25 pages and 4 sheets of Drawings, Transmittal Letter (original + 1), Recordation of Assignment with attached copy of executed Assignment (original + 1), Information Disclosure Statement with one copy each of four cited references attached (original + 1), Return Receipt Post Card, Declaration and Power of Attorney were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on September 5, 2003, for delivery by Express Mail. The number of the Express Mail mailing label is EU803550922US.

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